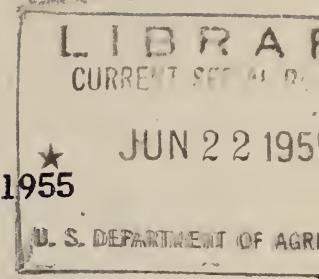


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ANIMAL DISEASE ERADICATION BRANCH
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.



April 8, 1955

ADE BRANCH MEMORANDUM NO. 504.2

To : ADE Field Activities Stations
From : R. J. Anderson, Chief
Subject: Instructions Concerning Brucellosis Eradication Program

I PURPOSE

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide instructions and answer questions relative to the brucellosis eradication project.

II POLICIES

A. Supervision of Work

To insure uniformity of program operations, careful attention should be given by regularly employed State and Federal veterinarians to directing controlling and supervising the activities of practicing veterinarians who participate in the program.

B. Program Basis

Uniform Methods and Rules for the Establishment and Maintenance of Certified Brucellosis-Free Herds of Cattle and Modified Certified Areas shall serve as the guide for all program operations.

III INDEMNITY PAYMENTS FOR REACTORS IN PLAN B AND PLAN D HERDS

Subsequent to the date of this instruction, no indemnity will be allowed for reactors held in Plan B or Plan D herds except as follows:

- (1) Through June 30, 1955, upon adoption of Plan A by the owner, and subject to the further conditions outlined below, Federal indemnity will be allowed for reactors which have been held in Plan B or Plan D, herds.

- (a) Where it has not been possible to inform all cattle owners of the April 1 deadline in time for them to indicate their desires.
 - (b) Where all owners have been fully informed and have requested such service but State and Federal cooperating officials have not been able to furnish the testing service required by the April 1 deadline.

- (2) Federal indemnity will not be allowed for reactors which have been held in Plan B or Plan D herds and removed after June 30, 1955, except in areas designated by State and Federal officials

for Plan A testing.

IV FEE PAYMENTS

A. At Concentration Points

You are authorized to approve regular fee schedule payments for brucellosis testing for cattle assembled at concentration points which are offered for movement back to farms or ranches, provided:

- (1) only one stop charge per day shall be allowed for such service
- (2) that State laws or regulations require reporting of all animals tested
- (3) that reactors disclosed at concentration points be hot-iron branded and sold for slaughter without indemnity.

B. Will Not Be Allowed:

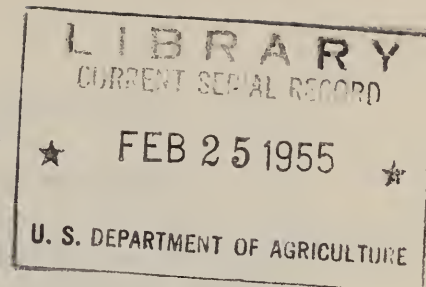
- (1) Unless all animals in the herd are tested or vaccinated in accordance with provisions of the cooperative State and Federal program.
- (2) for testing official vaccinates under 30 months of age unless these animals are in milk production, or unless otherwise approved by the Branch.
- (3) in excess of one stop fee for any combination of services rendered during one visit to the farm or ranch.
- (4) if specific authorization for testing or vaccinating has not been granted by the Veterinarian in Charge and the State cooperating official.
- (5) for any service in variation with these provisions except upon prior approval by the Branch.

V MISCELLANEOUS

- A. Employees engaged in brucellosis eradication work shall stress to owners proper sanitation, herd management, cleaning and disinfection. An instruction sheet covering these points should be prepared at each station to be left with owners as a guide on proper practices and procedures.
 - B. It is urged that all brucellosis testing and vaccinating other than area work be carried out under an agreement signed by the owner and a representative of the cooperating agency, outlining the provisions under which the work will be performed.
 - C. All calves should be vaccinated with 5cc of Brucella abortus Strain 19 vaccine injected subcutaneously. It has been determined that the lateral area of the scapula is a preferred injection site for this purpose. All animals vaccinated must be identified by tattoo or brand as outlined in the Uniform Methods and Rules for the Establishment and Maintenance of Certified Brucellosis-Free Herds of Cattle and Modified Certified Areas.
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January 20, 1955

ADE BRANCH MEMORANDUM 504.2

To : ADE Field Activities Stations
From : R. J. Anderson, Chief, Animal Disease Eradication Branch
Subject: Instructions concerning brucellosis eradication program.

I PURPOSE

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide instructions and answer questions which have arisen since the expanded brucellosis eradication project was begun.

II ASSIGNMENT OF WORK AND SUPERVISION OF FEE TESTING VETERINARIANS

A. Supervision of Work

With the extremely rapid expansion in the employment of practicing veterinarians on a fee basis, strict attention should be given to directing, controlling and supervising the activities of such employees when performing service for the Federal Government. To insure compliance with Uniform Methods and Rules approved by the Branch, regularly employed State or Federal veterinarians should determine the herds to be tested, calves to be vaccinated and make assignments to practicing veterinarians accordingly.

B. Assignment of Work

Practicing veterinarians should be assigned and held responsible for the work in a specific geographical area or specified herds. Where there is more than one veterinarian in a locality, they should be brought together and an effort made to work out areas of assignment with them. In most instances such an arrangement has been worked out satisfactorily. In areas where no practitioners are located, of course consideration will be given to other arrangements.

C. Retests

Careful attention should be given to maintenance of herd records which will assure retesting of all infected herds when due.

III INDEMNITY PAYMENTS FOR REACTORS IN PLAN B HERDS

No Federal indemnity will be allowed for reactors retained in Plan B herds after April 1, 1955, except in areas where Plan A has been adopted for the entire area subsequent to that date.

IV CALF VACCINATION

5cc of Brucella abortus strain 19 vaccine should be used subcutaneously for all calves vaccinated. All animals vaccinated must be identified by tattoo or brand as outlined in Uniform Methods and Rules for the Establishment and Maintenance of Certified Brucellosis-Free Herds of Cattle and Modified Certified Areas. The vaccine should be injected in the lateral surface of the scapula.

V FEE PAYMENTS AT CONCENTRATION POINTS

You are authorized to approve regular fee schedule payments for brucellosis testing or calf vaccination for cattle assembled at concentration points which are offered for movement back to farms or ranches, provided only one stop charge per day shall be allowed for such service; provided further, that State law or regulation requires reporting of all animals tested and calves vaccinated at concentration points and elsewhere in the State; also that reactors be hot-iron branded and sold for slaughter without indemnity when disclosed at concentration points, is enforced.

VI REACTORS IN PLAN D HERDS

When Plan D herds are transferred to Plan A, the Branch will pay indemnity for reactors removed from such herds for slaughter provided all regulations are complied with and all reactors which reacted in the herd prior to transferring from Plan D to Plan A and all overage vaccinates which react are identified as reactors and disposed of for slaughter without indemnity.

VII LIMITATIONS IN FEE TESTING AND VACCINATING

A. Fee payments will not be allowed for testing:

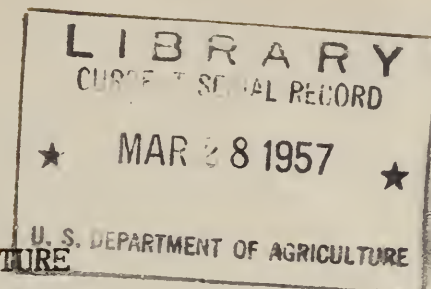
1. If all animals in the herd are not tested in accordance with the cooperative State and Federal program.
2. If the animal is an official vaccinate and under 30 months of age.
3. If more than one fee schedule stop is claimed for any combination of services rendered during one visit to the farm or ranch.
4. If specific authorization for testing or vaccinating has not been granted by the Veterinarian in Charge and the State Cooperating official.

B. In general, fee testing payments should not be approved unless all of the provisions of these instructions are complied with.

VIII MISCELLANEOUS

A. Uniform Methods and Rules for the Establishment and Maintenance of Certified Brucellosis-Free Herds of Cattle and Modified Certified Areas shall be complied with.

B. All employees engaged in brucellosis eradication work shall stress to the owners proper sanitation, herd management, cleaning and disinfecting. An instruction sheet covering these points shall be prepared and left with owners for a guide and answers to questions on proper practices and procedures, in connection with brucellosis eradication.



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April 8, 1955

ADE BRANCH NOTICE

To : All Field Activities Stations
From : R. J. Anderson, Chief of Branch
Subject: Transmittal of ADE Branch Memorandum No. 504.2

There is transmitted herewith ADE Branch Memorandum No. 504.2 dated April 8, 1955 which supersedes the memorandum as originally issued on January 27, 1955 and as corrected on February 3, 1955. Please destroy all previous copies.

The major changes in this reissue concern payment of indemnity for reactors previously held in Plan B and Plan D herds and in the payment of fees for drawing blood samples from official vaccinates under 30 months of age.

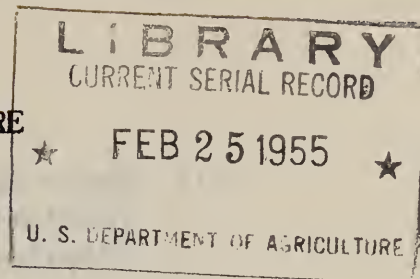
We have received several inquiries which indicate that there may be situations in which the previous deadline of April 1, 1955, for disposition of certain reactors, would have resulted in a hardship to cattle owners through no fault of their own. While this revised instruction extends that deadline, under certain conditions, to July 1, 1955, we urge that every effort be made to locate and remove these reactors as soon as possible. It is not our intention to make indemnity funds available for Plan B and Plan D reactors after July 1, 1955, except where the area plan is adopted.

There have been several situations where the Branch has been requested to pay for testing official vaccinates under 30 months of age which were in the milking line or which were required to be tested because of local or State regulations. In no case has the amount been large and it is felt that it would be in the interests of the program to be able to pay for fee services in these situations.

R. J. Anderson

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ANIMAL DISEASE ERADICATION BRANCH
Washington 25, D. C.



February 3, 1955

ADE BRANCH MEMORANDUM NO. 504.2
CORRECTED INSTRUCTION

TO : ADE Field Activities Stations

FROM : Asa Winter, Acting Chief, Animal Disease Eradication Branch

SUBJECT : Instructions concerning brucellosis eradication program

I PURPOSE

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide instructions and answer questions relative to the brucellosis eradication project.

II ASSIGNMENT OF WORK AND SUPERVISION OF FEE TESTING VETERINARIANS

A. Supervision of Work

With the extremely rapid expansion in the employment of practicing veterinarians on a fee basis, strict attention should be given to directing, controlling and supervising the activities of such employees when performing service for the Federal Government. To insure compliance with Uniform Methods and Rules approved by the Branch, regularly employed State or Federal veterinarians should determine the herds to be tested, calves to be vaccinated and make assignments to practicing veterinarians accordingly.

B. Assignment of Work

Practicing veterinarians should be assigned and held responsible for the work in a specific geographical area or specified herds. Where there is more than one veterinarian in a locality, they should be brought together and an effort made to work out areas of assignment with them. In most instances such an arrangement has been worked out satisfactorily. In areas where no practitioners are located, of course consideration will be given to other arrangements.

C. Retests

Careful attention should be given to maintenance of herd records which will assure retesting of all infected herds when due.

III INDEMNITY PAYMENTS FOR REACTORS IN PLAN B AND PLAN D HERDS

Subsequent to the date of this instruction, no indemnity will be allowed for reactors held in Plan B or Plan D herds except as follows:

- (1) Until April 1, 1955 Federal indemnity will be allowed for reactors which have been held in Plan B or Plan D herd upon adoption of Plan A.
- (2) After April 1, 1955 no Federal indemnity will be allowed for reactors which have been held in Plan B or Plan D herds except in areas designated by State and Federal officials for Plan A testing. (Testing of all herds with removal of all reactors within 15 days.)
- (3) No indemnity will be allowed for reacting overage vaccinates.

IV CALF VACCINATION

All calves should be vaccinated with 5cc. of Brucella abortus strain 19 vaccine injected subcutaneously in the lateral area of the scapula. All animals vaccinated must be identified by tattoo or brand as outlined in the Uniform Methods and Rules for the Establishment and Maintenance of Certified Brucellosis-Free Herds of Cattle and Modified Certified Areas.

V FEE PAYMENTS AT CONCENTRATION POINTS

You are authorized to approve regular fee schedule payments for brucellosis testing for cattle assembled at concentration points which are offered for movement back to farms or ranches, provided

- (1) only one stop charge per day shall be allowed for such service
- (2) that State laws or regulations require reporting of all animals tested
- (3) that reactors disclosed at concentration points be hot-iron branded and sold for slaughter without indemnity.

VI LIMITATIONS ON FEE TESTING AND VACCINATING

- A. Where Federal funds are expended under any of the approved plans outlined in the Uniform Methods and Rules for the Establishment and Maintenance of Certified Brucellosis-Free Herds of Cattle and Modified Certified Areas, all of the requirements must be complied with.
- B. Fee Payments will not be allowed:
 1. if all animals in the herd are not tested or vaccinated in accordance with the cooperative State and Federal program.
 2. for testing official vaccinates under 30 months of age.
 3. in excess of one stop fee for any combination of services rendered during one visit to the farm or ranch.
 4. if specific authorization for testing or vaccinating has not been granted by the Veterinarian in Charge and the State Cooperating official.

VII MISCELLANEOUS

- A. Uniform Methods and Rules for the Establishment and Maintenance of Certified Brucellosis-Free Herds of Cattle and Modified Certified Areas shall be complied with.
 - B. All employees engaged in brucellosis eradication work shall stress to the owners proper sanitation, herd management, cleaning and disinfecting. An instruction sheet covering these points shall be prepared at each station to be left with owners for a guide and answers to questions on proper practices and procedures in connection with brucellosis eradication.
 - C. It is urged that at all brucellosis testing and vaccinating other than area work be carried out under an agreement signed by the owner and representative of the cooperating agency, outlining the provision under which the work will be performed. (It will be appreciated if you will forward a copy of the agreement now in use in your state to this office.)
- P. S. This corrected instruction amends paragraph III and eliminates paragraph VI. Please destroy all copies dated January 27, 1955.

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